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Smash the machine ring.

ADMIRAL DEWEY doesn't seem to think the United States government is making any mistake in making its control of the Philippines complete and permanent.

THE exports of the calendar year 1899 are likely to be the largest in our history, in spite of the doleful predictions made as to the prospective effect of the Dingley law upon our foreign markets.

THE Republicans of the first congressional district of Maine last Thursday nominated Amos L. Allen to succeed Hon. T. B. Reed in congress. Mr. Allen is a firm supporter of the national administration policy.

IT must make President McKinley laugh to observe the eagerness of Quay and the machine in Pennsylvania to save itself from sinking into the quagmire of rotten politics by clinging to the skirts of the national administration.

"IN all the two years and a half that I have sat at the cabinet table," said Secretary Long the other day, "I have never seen President McKinley give the slightest sign of irritation or impatience, even when he was under great stress and in trying circumstances. On the contrary, he has always been patient, and even cheerful. He is the most amiable of men."

THE Bryan element in Massachusetts has succeeded in naming a Bryan and free silver delegation for the Democratic national convention, and in doing so have alienated enough Democrats and independents to assure Republican success in that State. Two or more of the men nominated on the State ticket by the Bryan convention have indignantly refused to run on the free silver platform enunciated.

THE bribery cases at Harrisburg were continued until January in the hope that the Quay faction might benefit by the delay and as many of Quay's henchmen be elected as possible. Quay and his boodlers were afraid of the disclosures that were bound to come out at that trial, hence the continuance. Everything, even the courts must be brought into line in order to advance the interests of the machine.

MR. GEORGE W. MITCHELL, the popular prothonotary who is a candidate for re-election, is in the city. Mr. Mitchell is well situated in the county and is not permitting himself to lose any sleep on account of the unfriendly notices which occasionally appear in unfriendly newspapers. Bradford Era of Saturday.

Judging from the above the situation changes somewhat. But the MINER is inclined to believe that Mr. Mitchell's situation in November will somewhat resemble the foregoing clipping.

GOV. STONE is sorry now that he appointed Mat Quay as U. S. Senator to the vacancy. He imagines that if an extra session was called now, that possibly some of the independent Republicans might vote for the boss. In the Governor's zeal for the boss he is at a loss what to do. If he calls an extra session of the Legislature he says very plainly that he was in error last spring when he made the appointment, and exceeded his authority in so doing. Gov. Stone will soon discover that it is a sorry task to be the tool of an unscrupulous boss, and, in attempting to ride Quay and his rotten machine over the breakers, the chances are that Stone will go down in the wreck. Quay and his machine are doomed in Pennsylvania, and the sooner Governor Stone discovers this fact the better it will be for him.

THE Kane Republican has the following to say in regard to our able candidates for county commissioner. The MINER heartily endorses the sentiment: "The candidates for county commissioner on the Republican ticket in this county are exceptionally strong. It would be very difficult to have selected two more thoroughly representative business men than Messrs. Peterson and Boardman. They are not only men of high personal character but have had a large and varied experience in the practical affairs of life. They are exactly the character of citizens who should be chosen to look after the financial affairs of the county and see that the money of the taxpayer is not frittered away on unnecessary expenses. They are deserving of and will undoubtedly receive the full Republican vote together with those of many reputable Democrats, who are disgusted with the internal dissensions prevailing in their party."

THE esteemed Bradford Post, as usual is off in its deductions. It takes the MINER to task for advocating the election of W. B. Clarke for sheriff and opposing the election of G. W. Mitchell for prothonotary and T. F. Hungiville for commissioner, the first being a Republican and the last a Democrat. The MINER opposes Mr. Mitchell on the grounds of his attempting to be a boss and leaving no stone unturned to further the nefarious schemes of Quay to more firmly bind the Republicans of Pennsylvania in slavery. As a neighbor and friend the MINER has no objection to Mr. Mitchell, but when he so far forgets himself in his energy to serve Boss Quay, as to attempt to starve the MINER out because it will not wear Quay's regalia the question assumes a different aspect, and any Republican who will sell his blood bought privilege to install such machine methods in power in the State does not deserve the ballot. Mr. Hungiville is but another sample of the same stripe under the name of a Democrat. He aspires to be a boss. His mentors, J. C. Sibley and Frank Collins, did not hesitate to devote a good share of their time last winter to secure the election of Quay to the U. S. Senate. These two men, Mitchell and Hungiville, are whistling through the same quill. Each seeks to be the boss of his party and then get together and divide the spoils. The sooner the voters of both parties in McKean county get their eyes open to the fact that they are being made tools of by these would-be leaders the better it will be for all concerned. Mr. Clarke is a true Republican. He does not aspire to be a boss. He simply comes before the people in a straightforward manner and presents his claims to the people, and they will elect such a Republican by a large majority. It is twelve years since Mr. Clarke asked the votes of any Republican to place him in office and he never asked any McKean county Republican to vote for him, previous to that time. Because he possesses such rare business qualifications that sheriffs in office solicit his aid as deputy only adds another feather to his crown and proves him to be the proper man for the place.

WASHINGTON LETTER

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Oct. 2, 1899.

It is not surprising that two of the most popular men in the U. S.—President McKinley and Admiral Dewey—standing side by side on a platform made to imitate the prow of a war ship, to review the big civic parade, which inaugurated the Dewey festivities in Washington, should have aroused such enthusiasm as was never before seen on the streets of Washington. It was an occasion calculated to arouse the enthusiasm of every American.

The scene presented when Admiral Dewey arrived at the White House, whither he was escorted from the railway station, by a troop of regular cavalry, was one worthy to be preserved for future generations in a historical picture. The President and every member of the Cabinet was there to greet him. The Admiral was met at the door by Secretary Long, who escorted him to the President. The hearty hand shake of the President and the Admiral and the admiration on the faces of both as they looked in to each other's eyes will never be forgotten by those who were present. There was a general jollification for a few minutes, after which the party started for the reviewing stand, amid the plaudits of thousands.

The Governor of Louisiana having informed the Department of Justice that he could not submit an official report on the killing of five Italians at Tallulah some months ago, until the grand jury, which will not meet until January, investigates the case, Attorney General Griggs has sent a special agent of the Department to make an official inquiry, in order that all the obtainable facts shall be on hand when Congress meets. The Italian authorities have made an investigation of the killing of these men, and will claim indemnity, and get it for several of them, unless it can be shown that their report is incorrect.

According to Judge A. L. Kramler of Indiana, who is good authority, that state is safely and permanently anchored in the Republican harbor, because of the growth of its manufacturing interests and the general good times, speaking of which he said: "Our people are enjoying a flood tide of prosperity. Everybody is satisfied with current conditions. Money is plentiful, crops are immense, and the demand for labor is unprecedented. In the West there is overwhelming approval of President McKinley's Philippine policy. I read of objections to that policy in the East, but we have no Hoars or Atkinsons in our section. The sentiment is well nigh universal that the Filipinos deserve punishment, and they are going to get it."

Judge D. K. Watson, formerly a member of the house from the Columbus district, and now engaged in legal work for the government, has accepted an invitation to take the stump in Ohio. Just before he left Washington, he said: "I think I know Ohio, and I tell you our people are in favor of standing by the flag. That's the best thing in all this war—standing by the flag! We must establish the supremacy of the U. S. over there. There is no getting out of it. We simply can't afford to come running back from the Philippines with our heads bowed in shame and our flag trailing in the dust. There is but one thing to do, and that is to fight it out just as the President has planned."

Secretary Long is inclined to be incensed over the claims put forward by the friends of several gentlemen of credit for the selection of Dewey to command the Asiatic squadron. While Senators and other prominent men wrote Secretary Long recommending Dewey's assignment to that command, just as others wrote in behalf of other officers, the Secretary says the selections was a natural one and would have been made if not an outside word had been said. As to who is entitled to the credit of the assignment, which produced so much glory for Dewey and for the country, Secretary Long said: "The credit of it belongs to no human being except Dewey himself, who, by reason of his special fitness, by rank, by his turn to go to sea, and by his meritorious qualifications," was the natural designation of the Bureau of Navigation."

The action of Secretary Root in sending General Theodore Schwan, who, in addition to having a reputation as one of the best executive officers in the army, is also a good lawyer, to the Philippines as Chief of Staff and Principal Assistant to the Military Governor, means that Gen. Otis, who has also been given a number of additional staff officers, is to have more time to devote to the purely military movements of the coming campaign. It should also put a stop to the constantly reiterated stories intimating an intention either to relieve Gen. Otis or to put some other officer in command of the fighting. There has never been any intention on the part of the President or Secretary Root to do either.

President McKinley has approved the sentence of the Carter court-martial, dismissal from the army and five year's imprisonment, and Carter has been locked up. Thus ends a case which a certain kind of Democrats have tried to make political capital out of.

WHAT POWERS SAY.

Former Senator Quay, who is reported to be in low spirits, did not send for the North American correspondent and ask to be interviewed on the great issues of the day, but had he done so he doubtless would have spoken substantially as follows:

"What's got into those Democrats, anyway? A year ago they wouldn't have dared to treat me as they're doing. And its the same with everybody. They're taking advantage of me because those infernal insurgents humiliated me as they did by preventing my re-election. It's the old story of turning your back on the setting and rallying the rising sun. If this sort of thing goes on pretty soon I'll have no friends."

"Governor Stone—"

"Don't mention that man's name to me! He's a fly blister on my temper, sir. He does n thing but talk, and it's infectious, for here are the Democrats wanting to talk, too. Joint debate on the issues is what they demanded—joint debate! That fellow Rilling needs looking after. He'll either have to be provided for or smashed. Joint debate indeed! Joint debate about what? The State treasury, by Jove, and other things that the less that's said about 'em the better. I suppose it would please Creasy and his crowd to have us help to lift the lid off the kettle, but they'll be disappointed. Reeder has obeyed orders and told 'em to go hang. A dignified reticence is what I believe in. Wrap the stars and stripes around the treasury and let it go at that. A nice row would be raised, wouldn't it, if we sent out our speakers to discuss things on the same stumps with the Democrats! I'll have no more talking than I can get along without. There's Reeder, now. I had to call him down. He's bitten with the idea that he's an orator and ached to display his powers. But I corked him.

"I know what the enemy wants, and they sha'n't be accommodated. It isn't the indemnity bond chestnut, nor any drags at the sack of the sugar trust, nor the Standard Oil's contributions to the cause of good government, nor our little deals on the outside with capital drawn from the State treasury that they really banker to discuss. Said I to Reeder:

"'You lie low. Once get on your hind legs at a public meeting and you won't hear anything from the audience except howls of inquiry about the State Insurance Company.' That settled Reeder. But it's Adams they want to riddle. I told the boss he wouldn't do, but they insisted on having him. And now we've got him the only thing I can do is to keep still. People who don't know our style may wonder how we can let a judicial candidate be hammered on the personal honesty point and make no response. But if talking's worse than silence what's the use of attempting a defense? It don't do to bid farewell to ordinary sense even in a campaign. The enemy says 'Adams took that fee from the Church man widow, who charged him with extortion, and a court decided she was right.' And what do we say in reply? Nothing. Why! For the best of all reasons—there isn't anything to say. They charge him with being mixed up in quarter receivership deals. Let 'em. Dignified silence is our strong hold.

"They haven't begun on Adams yet I know that, and I knew how it would be when we nominated him, but we'll say nothing. We'll wrap the stars and stripes around him as we do around the State treasury, and yell 'Treason!' if we do have to use our voices.

"I love the flag," said the great man thoughtfully, "and I have cause. It has done a great deal for me, and I hope to see it do more. Its folds are large, larger than charity's, and its covering capacity excites in me the most grateful emotions. You are aware that it is being tired on in the Philippines? Yes! That is terrible; isn't it? And yet that dastardly assault upon Old Glory is not without its compensations. The sound of the firing distracts attention from me, and I needn't tell you as a Pennsylvanian that that is water on my wheel. All other duties become subordinate to protecting the flag, young man. Viewed thus, I'm free to say that this Philippine war is nothing less than a bonanza for me and the rest of the Boys. Look at the way Roosevelt is using it in Ohio. There's a debater for you now! If I had a few of his kind here I'd take up that Rilling challenge. When Teddy gets to working his gatling gun on the stump you can't get time to think for the excitement. In Ohio—"

"I understand that Governor Stone is going out to help Roosevelt in Ohio," said the correspondent.

"Well," said the great man, chuckling, "Stone had to talk somewhere, and as I wouldn't let him talk here, he's volunteered to drench Ohio with the fiery flood of his thoughts. Hanna's not. He's written to ask me if I'm trying to get even for being turned down in my anti-McKinley enterprise in '96, and he implores me to keep Stone at home."

"And will you?"

"Certainly not. McLean has no show in Ohio, so Stone can't hurt, no matter what he says. Hanna's wild. He says Stone's an ass."

"But you've said the same thing yourself," the correspondent reminded him.

"As to some things Senator Hanna and I differ," replied the great man, "but on all essential matters we are of one mind. I made Stone, and he's my Governor, but there's nothing I wouldn't do for Hanna. I've written that he can keep Stone."

Mr. Quay is not in the best of health. His eye, the good one, has a worried look.

PRESIDENT THEODORE SCHAFFER of the Amalgamated Iron and Steel Workers Association, testified before the Industrial Commission at Washington the other day, that the trusts have been beneficial to the iron, steel and tin-plate workers, and added that he had so much respect for these great aggregations of capital that he would not call them "trusts."

A Lima Man's Testimony.

I have obtained excellent results from the use of Foley's Kidney Cure. I relieved my back ache and severe pain over the hips. It toned up my system and gave me new vim and energy. I regard it as an honest and reliable remedy for all kidney diseases. It makes no false claims but does what it says when given a fair trial. I certainly recommend it. Wm. Finn, 447 Elida Road, Lima, Ohio. L. K. Hogarth & Co.

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PROF. COLBS FOR OCTOBER.

A more remarkable conjunction of the planets than has occurred for six thousand years will take place in October, November and December of this year. It will not be a perfect conjunction, but on the 21st of the present month Uranus, Saturn, Jupiter, Mars, Venus and Mercury will be near heliocentric longitude 250, or on that side of the sun near where the earth is on June 1st. At the same time Neptune will be on the opposite side of the sun, or near where the earth is on December 1st. This places the sun and seven planets in line, and explains the meaning of what is called the great planetary conjunctions that is being discussed in all civilized countries. On December 1st the earth will have moved into line and will be part of the great conjunctions. With the sun and six of the big planets arrayed against poor old mother earth, she will receive the awful punishment, we fear.

THE OCTOBER OUTLOOK.

The new moon occurs on the 4 h at 2:07. The first aspects formed are a trine to Saturn and trine to N plane. This favors a very favorable business outlook for the coming month. The vital forces being about equal in strength will cause the stock markets to fluctuate in prices and great excitement will prevail. The planets point to some great calamity in the Western or Northern part of the United States, and rumors in foreign countries of an unusual nature. The life of a great ruler will end during these planetary conjunctions and cause universal sorrow. Auroral lights, earthquakes and volcanic eruptions may startle the world. The "Yellow Jack" will continue to increase in virulence; and typhoid fever epidemics will again spread over the country. Dysentery will prevail among those born in sign Scorpio; and the "pink-eye" will trouble those born in the sign Sagittarius. "Rotten apple" placed over the eyes will cure the latter disease and the eating of a nutmeg, by the nibbling process, will cure the former. The "yellow jack" caused great consternation in the South last month, as our predictions foretold. The Bubonic plague will sweep its thousands to death this fall.

VALUABLE INFORMATION.

The 7th, 9th, 11th, 12th, 16th, 17 h, 18 h, 21st, 24 h, 25th 26 h and 31st will be good days to fish. Fish caught at any other time will not be in proper condition to be eaten by man. The fish caught on the 7th, 12th, 16th, 17th, 24 h and 25th will be the finest flavored and tenderest of them all. Bleed the fish as soon as caught, for a fish that dies a natural death is no more fit to eat than a pig or a chicken that dies the same way. We will again send full directions for flower culture, grain sowing, fruit gathering and all such information free for postage, two stamps, this month. Pork killed on the 7th, 9th, 12th, 16th, 17th or 18th the meat will smell when boiled and when fried there will be scarcely enough grease come from it to run in the pan. Killed on the 21st, 24 h or 31st the meat when cooked will fry all to grease. Those who do not believe in moon signs can be convinced by letting the moon shine on fresh butchered beef at night time; the meat will be green and putrid as carrion by morning.

THE STORMS AND SIGNS

Last month many of the great storms were held at bay by the electrical and magnetic junctions being formed at sea, as the high flood vital forces ruled over the land. This month the vital forces are equally divided and therefore we may expect great meteorological disturbances on both land and sea. A great storm of stupendous dimensions is liable to jump up out of the ocean, as it were, at almost any time during these conjunctions, and sweep down upon us with a fury unprecedented. Let the sea coasters prepare for an ocean "sweeper;" and the inlanders for general storms, summer heat, cold waves, sleet and hail storms, phenomenal electrical storms. High gales, cloud bursts and great floods. Earthquakes will be reported this month, and strange lights will be seen around the sun and the moon. Watch out for one or two strange sunset scenes and several balls of fire that will dart across the heavens; and be not afraid, for they are but the results of natural causes. The world is not coming to an end yet!

PROF. C. COLBS,
Editor Signs and Signs.

Kingston, Pa., Sept. 13 1899.

During the winter of 1897-98 J. Lewis Reed, one of the leading citizens and merchants of Clay, Clay Co., W. Va., struck his leg against a cake of ice in such a manner as to bruise it severely. It became very much swollen and pained him so badly that he could not walk without the aid of crutches. He was treated by physicians, but tried several kinds of liniment and two and a half gallons of whisky in bathing it, but nothing gave any relief until he began using Chamberlain's Pain Balm. This brought about a complete cure in a week's time and he believes that had he not used this remedy his leg would have had to be amputated. Pain Balm is unequalled for sprains, bruises and rheumatism. For sale by L. K. Hogarth & Co.

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An Ordinance

Granting to the Union Telephone and Telegraph Company, a corporation organized under the laws of West Virginia, and qualified to do business in Pennsylvania, the right to erect and maintain a telephone system in the borough of Smethport, and for the purpose to enter upon and use the highways, streets and alleys of said borough for said purpose, the term and period of time to be for twenty years, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter stated.

Section 1. Be it enacted and ordained by the Chief Burgess and Town Council of the borough of Smethport, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the authority of the same, that the Union Telephone and Telegraph Company, a corporation organized under the laws of West Virginia, and qualified to do business in Pennsylvania, be and is hereby authorized and empowered to enter upon and use the highways, streets and alleys of said borough, for the purpose of erecting poles and stringing wires and cables thereon for telephonic purposes and to maintain and operate the same for and during the term and period of twenty-one years from the passage of this ordinance, upon the terms and conditions hereinafter contained.

Section 2. The poles, wires, cables, fixtures and appliances of said telephone plant erected, placed or maintained in or over the streets, highways and alleys of said borough shall be erected under the direction and supervision of the Chief Burgess and Town Council.

Section 3. The franchise hereby granted shall not be construed to deprive the said borough of the right to grant similar rights and other permits, to any other corporation.

Section 4. It is made a condition of the granting of this franchise that the said Union Telephone and Telegraph Company, its successors and assigns, will establish its exchange and have a good and sufficient telephone service in operation within the limits of said borough on or before April 1st, 1900.

This franchise is also granted upon the further condition that the subscribers of the Smethport Exchange of said company shall receive standard service and Congressional instruments at rates not exceeding thirty dollars per annum for business telephones on a single metallic circuit and twenty dollars per annum for house telephones on party lines, and sixteen dollars per annum for house telephones on party lines.

Section 5. There shall be practised and maintained by said company on top of its poles, or on the top cross-arms of its poles, necessary spaces, free of cost, charges or rental, to carry the wires now or hereafter owned or used by said borough for its fire alarm and police telegraph systems, and the wires and equipments of said borough shall, at all times, have the right to place and repair such wires.

Section 6. The said Union Telephone and Telegraph Company, its successors and assigns shall not at any time consolidate the franchise hereby granted with any other company without the consent of the Chief Burgess and Town Council of said borough under penalty of forfeiting this franchise.

Passed the 5th day of Sept. A. D. 1899.

JAMES A. McKEAN,
President of Council.

GENEVIEVE HUSSEY,
Secretary.

Approved the 6th day of Sept. A. D. 1899.

E. M. BOOTHBY, Burgess.

Executor's Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that letters testamentary to the estate of Caroline Lewis, late of Annin township, McKean county, Penn'a, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned executor. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment of same to him without delay, and those having claims against the same to present them, duly authenticated, for settlement without delay.

NELSON HARDELL, Executor.
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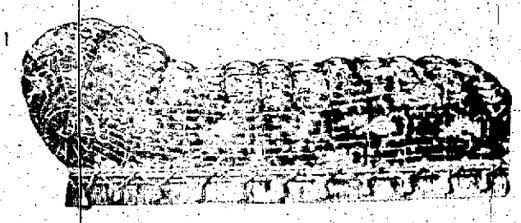

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McKean County Miner

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second-class mail matter.

Thursday, Oct. 5, 1899.

SMETHPORT, PA.

McKean county, Pennsylvania, is located in the north central agricultural district, in northern Pennsylvania, only 95 miles from N. Y., and 70 miles east of Erie—from which it has four lines of railroad leading to the commercial centers. It has several lakes. Timber of all kinds is found in abundance in the forests, and best natural hardwood lumber. Has large tanneries, extensive bluestone quarries, and the finest kind of sandstone for building purposes. Has also large deposits of the best quality of brick clay, suitable for brick making, and abundance of shale rock suitable for brick. Has a number of other [illegible] with a number of other [illegible] Has a large [illegible] for the U. S. Cartridge Co. [illegible] the county seat of McKean county, one of the richest counties in the Keystone commonwealth, a population at the present time of [illegible] and [illegible] has several [illegible] and [illegible] the principal industries at which are [illegible] employing a large [illegible] Has two Safety Check Hook Manufacturing plants, with a number of other [illegible] Has a large [illegible] of the [illegible]

THE SEA.

My life is like a shell upon the beach,
As soon the ocean's edge as I can be
My daily steps the waves sometimes o'erreach,
Sometimes I may be left high and dry.

My sole companionship the sea breeze is,
To please the gusts around the rocks it tides,
Each sweetheart pebble and each shell more rare
Which creeps blindly to my island confines.

I have but few companions on the shore:
They seem the strand who sail upon the sea;
Yet all I think the ocean they've sailed o'er
In deeper human upon the strand to me.

The sudden sea sensations so crimson dyes
My deeper waves cast up as pearls to view
Along the shore my hand is on its ye s
And I commune with many a shipwrecked crew.
—Thoreau.

IN THE RAIN.

A Romance of One Umbrella For Two People.

"If I didn't look as if I were trying to gain some benefit from your umbrella," he remarked as he shut out the storm on the church steps after the service, "I would ask to walk home with you. I didn't expect rain when I left home, so I am unprepared."

"However," came her clear reply, just arch enough to be frank, "if you'll carry my umbrella and let me turn my energies to keeping my dress straight up out of the mud, I'll be very thankful to you."

They had walked, strangely enough, half way home in most complete silence when a man and a woman passed, like them, under one umbrella, but, unlike them, the woman was bold enough close to the man's side as she clung to his arm. It was a pretty picture of that open freedom which so undeniably marks a congenial man and wife, whose companionship has ripened into frank trust.

As they passed, Robert Cartwright said, half thoughtlessly perhaps: "They are sensible. If two are trying to use one umbrella they are surely to be commended if they strive to take up as little room as possible. Even if it be warm, won't you take my arm?"

"But they are probably not such strangers as we," she returned, conscious that both were treading on dangerous ground.

"Are we strangers?" he asked quickly, by turning his eyes near enough to her.

The pretty face grew a trifle pale against its light brown hair. A lump seemed to climb to her throat, but she returned bravely: "Yes, that is why I always be strangers compared with them."

He stopped for an instant and gazed steadily at her till a hot flush flew up from her collar and swept under the very strings of her dainty bonnet.

"Always?" he asked simply.

"Yes. Why, can't you see that they are married?"

She tried to laugh it away, but it would have been difficult to tell what pair of eyes quivered the more of which pair of eyes swam in the deepest mist as the two stared on in that long hush and, both realizing that a little tragedy had occurred in that few minutes under that dripping umbrella.

Eight years went by and Florence Deane Vaughan alone in the world with necessity for keeping up a flat in which all interest and all ease were dead. She had at last arisen from a tedious illness, and the nurse who said hardly recognized the tall, pale and faced woman with the white hair curls as the bright eyed little girl of six months before.

Gabrielle had one thing dear to live and only one, and that was Frank, a kind some of our dearest men. She was the greatest parts of our lives. When finally she stood before a mirror and realized that that changed creature was herself, a mighty resolve filled her who would go to the source of that memory.

She knew where he was; she knew that he had married three years after that bitter morning in the rain and had married a wealthy wife. That was the reason that she had turned him back from her home at just the time of his poverty. Not that it would pain her, a thousand times no. Hadn't she cried out night after night to save that starvation with him would be easy bliss?

But she had known his habits and his capabilities, knew his talents for success, and she, rather than others, to turn the dreams to realities. She was poor. Would she permit herself to be a millstone about his neck? Would she hold him always in the depths of poverty by being his wife and the mother of his needy children? No, she would hurt him, but before she would ruin his life.

Time had proved that she had been right. His wife was a leader in society and her wealth had opened to him opportunities to rise. He didn't, she had known that he would. But now that she wanted to see him, she knew herself she would not be in his world and see for herself how happy and prosperous he was.

So, having spent all that she could scrounge for her ticket, she stepped into Langhams one spring morning, standing her heart to what it might for.

The next evening she walked out past his great house and was standing back when a sudden sense of weakness swept upon her. She grasped up her skirts in that particular way so characteristic of a dainty woman who was hurrying along when all at once she was conscious of a step behind her at her side. Turning she beheld a tall, and faced man trying to quiet a fretful baby of about 2 years which held out its dimpled hands to her and cried, "Mamma, mamma."

The gentleman strove to quiet it and Gabrielle started on. But sharp and piercing came the cry of "Mamma!" and her heart bade her linger.

For the first time the man spoke to her.

"I must beg your pardon madam. His mother has just died and something about you seems to have prevailed her to him."

Gabrielle's heart softened at once. Going straight up, she took the little outstretched hands to her own and murmured, "Poor motherless little one."

The father held out his arms to her over her, and for the first time she looked at him. The face was Robert Cartwright's.

She was glad for the excuse of turning to the baby again and hiding unintelligibly.

However he had not recognized her as she drew all her strength to his assistance and succeeded in helping to comfort.

"If you will walk under my umbrella, as I am going your way you will keep dry. And too I fear baby won't like to part with you now."

There was no easy way to retreat. It would have been absurd to stand off in a changed direction through the pelting rain, as she continued talking hurriedly to the child.

As they reached the foot of the broad stone steps she stopped.

"I cannot thank you enough for having rescued Leslie. His nurse left this morning, and he will not be reconciled by any of the other servants. So I finally told Mrs. Clarke the housekeeper, that I would try him for a walk. But will you not take the umbrella? It will be a shame to expose yourself to such a deluge."

She gracefully declined all thanks and such kind offers and glided quickly off, a tall, black robed figure during the watery drops. But a perfect hurricane being upon when he found himself deserted in this fashion, and such a succeeding cry became louder and more distressing. Again Gabrielle could not go. Again she came back to him.

Will you please come into the house with him. Mrs Clarke may there be [illegible] I got him away than I

She [illegible] carrying his child Lewis entered the [illegible] unknown but well [illegible] Jealous was not to be easily deceived and all the rushes were seen through immediately by his careful big blue eyes.

We must get a nursemaid this very night," declared Mrs Clarke as she endeavored, in her practical cold hearted way, to banish the young lord from [illegible] mamma.

But [illegible] Mr Cartright, when [illegible] not [illegible]

[illegible] Gabrielle's head [illegible] Frank's shoulder and [illegible] Choked back the lump in her throat and [illegible] Would [illegible] symptoms [illegible] of [illegible] showing [illegible] and [illegible] possession."

[illegible] exclaimed Mr [illegible] "I shall have given [illegible] Mrs Clarke dismissed at the [illegible] herman of wearing [illegible] appearance of a [illegible] culture and [illegible]

[illegible] in which Miss Warren [illegible] was that known, and the very [illegible] loved in return Mr [illegible] two children. It was [illegible] March just before [illegible] left Leslie up [illegible] just come down [illegible] with Mabel to stay [illegible] until her father came [illegible] was late and Mabel would [illegible] to the library [illegible] alone in the dimly lighted [illegible] Mr Court right in [illegible]

Sharp [illegible] Mabel," she began, startling [illegible] at the window

[illegible] have [illegible] first time [illegible] Yes, mamma. You [illegible] it was because [illegible] western [illegible] narrower [illegible] Just she said.

I too [illegible] and I can never in any way love another [illegible]

"Miss Warren [illegible]

Neither [illegible] she continued. Take an umbrella and go down to [illegible] just [illegible] and take [illegible] and what else [illegible]

[illegible] spoke [illegible] Leslie [illegible] was [illegible]